गए सरदार सरोवर परियोजना के निर्माण कार्यक्रम के अनुसार सरदार सरोवर परियोजना के चरण—III (जल-विद्युत घटक) के नदी तल विद्युत घर का कार्य वर्ष 1998-99 तक तथा नहर मुख्य विद्युत घर का कार्य वर्ष 1995-96 तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है ।

(छ) इस परियोजना की कुल स्थापित क्षमता 1450 मेगावाट है जिसमें से मध्य प्रदेश का हिस्सा 57 प्रतिशत अर्थात् 826.50 मेगावाट है ।

Setting up a Private Agency to Manage Water Resources

2406. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a private Central development agency to manage water resources in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) There is no proposal under consideration for setting up a private Central Development agency to manage water resources in the country which is capital intensive.

Tank Irrigation

2407. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop and improve tank irrigation in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) Ministry of Water Resources does not have any proposal to operate a scheme for development and improvement of tank irrigation in the country. Minor Irrigation Schemes are planned, funded and implemented by the State Governments from their own resources. However, project proposals for improvement/modernisation of tank irrigation systems received from States are posed to External aiding agencies for providing assistance. A project for modernisation of 230 tanks irrigation systems (Phase-II) in Tamilnadu at an estimated cost of Rs. 53.12 crores with EEC assistance is under implementation. Another project for modernisation of 459 tanks is also under implementation in Kerala with EEC assistance at an estimated cost of about Rs. 40 crores.

Cost and Time Overrun in Irrigation

2408. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that cost and time overrun is a bane of the irrigation sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are taken to overcome this situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) and (b) Out of 103 major, 165 medium and 20 extension/renovation/modernisation (ERM) Irrigation projects approved by the Planning Commission, 92 major, 159 medium and 17 ERM irrigation projects are running behind schedule, resulting in time and cost overruns. The main factors responsible for time and cost overruns of irrigation projects are rise in prices during construction, limited investigations at the time of project preparation and consequent changes in scope and design of the project during implementation, inadequate provision for infrastructural facilities, land acquisition, rehabilitation and resettlement, environmental safeguards etc., non-availability of adequate funds, labour trouble, public protest, contractual problem etc.

(c) To ensure accrual of benefits from investment, the strategy adopted in the VIII Five Year Plan is to attach top most priority to completion of ongoing projects which have made significant progress in implementation. The Planning Commission has started strict earmarking of outlays to important projects so that the projects are not starved of funds.

मध्य प्रदेश में लघु सिंचाई परियोजनाएं

2409. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव : क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :